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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

**[60Day-19-1128; Docket No. CDC-2019-0049]**

**Proposed Data Collection Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations**

**AGENCY:** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC),  
Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

**ACTION:** Notice with comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), as part of its continuing efforts to reduce public burden and maximize the utility of government information, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This notice invites comment on a proposed information collection entitled "State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS)." CDC will use the information collected to perform fatal unintentional drug overdose surveillance in a quick and comprehensive way.

**DATES:** CDC must receive written comments on or before **[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION DATE IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by Docket No. CDC-2019-0049 by any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- Mail: Jeffrey M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket Number. CDC will post, without change, all relevant comments to Regulations.gov.

Please note: Submit all comments through the Federal eRulemaking portal (regulations.gov) or by U.S. mail to the address listed above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** To request more information on the proposed project or to obtain a copy of the information collection plan and instruments, contact Jeffery M. Zirger, Information Collection Review Office, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 1600 Clifton Road, N.E., MS-D74, Atlanta, Georgia 30329; phone: 404-639-7570; E-mail: [omb@cdc.gov](mailto:omb@cdc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. In addition, the PRA also requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed

collection of information, including each new proposed collection, each proposed extension of existing collection of information, and each reinstatement of previously approved information collection before submitting the collection to the OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, we are publishing this notice of a proposed data collection as described below.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments that will help:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

## 5. Assess information collection costs

### Proposed Project

State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS)  
(0920-1128, Expiration 10/31/2020) - Revision - National Center  
for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC), Centers for Disease  
Control and Prevention (CDC).

### Background and Brief Description

In 2013, there were nearly 44,000 drug overdose deaths, including nearly 36,000 unintentional drug overdose deaths, in the United States. More people are now dying of drug overdose than automobile crashes in the US. A major driver of the problem are overdoses related to opioids, both opioid pain relievers (OPRs) and illicit forms such as heroin. In order to address this public health problem, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has made addressing the opioid abuse problem a high priority.

In order to support targeting of drug overdose prevention efforts, detect new trends in fatal unintentional drug overdoses, and assess the progress of HHS's initiative to reduce opioid abuse and overdoses, the State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS) generates public health surveillance information at the national, state, and local

levels that is more detailed, useful, and timely than is currently available.

This collection will detect state and local community changes in unintentional and undetermined intent drug-related overdose mortality faster and provide in-depth state and local (e.g., county) information on risk factors for fatal drug overdose deaths that can inform the selection and targeting of interventions in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. CDC requests OMB approval for three years for this revision to make the following changes: 1) expand data collection from the 50 jurisdictions currently approved to include 52 jurisdictions (i.e., all 50 states, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia), 2) expand data collection from its current focus on opioid overdose deaths to a broader focus on drug overdose deaths, 3) account for increasing data collection burden related to large increases in drug overdose deaths, 4) increase the timeliness of data reporting to a 6-month time lag, and 5) update the web-based system to improve performance, functionality, and accessibility as well as add data elements to the State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS) module to capture more detailed information. This information will help develop, inform, and assess the progress of drug overdose prevention strategies at both the state and national levels. Improve identification and response to changes in fatal

unintentional and undetermined intent drug-related overdose trends at the local, state, and national level. There are no costs to respondents other than their time.

Estimated Annualized Burden Hours

Type of Respondent	Form Name	No. of Respondents	Total No. of Responses per Respondent	Average Burden per Response (in hours)	Total Burden Hours (in hours)
Public Agencies	Retrieving and refile records	52	1263	30/60	32,838
Total					32,838

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